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VIA OVERNIGHT COURIER

Mr. Gary Miller Superfund Division, Region 6 (6SF-RA) Arkansas/Texas Section U.S. Environmental Protection Agency 1445 Ross Avenue, Suite 1200 Dallas, Texas 75202-2733

Re: April 2009 Monthly Status Report, Gulfco Marine Maintenance Site, Freeport, Texas

Dear Mr. Miller:

Pursuant to Section XII, Paragraph 53 of the amended Unilateral Administrative Order (UAO) for the above-referenced Site, Pastor, Behling & Wheeler, LLC (PBW) has prepared this monthly status report on behalf of LDL Coastal Limited LP (LDL), Chromalloy American Corporation (Chromalloy) and The Dow Chemical Company (Dow). As discussed in our telephone conversation on August 2, 2005, monthly status reports for a given month will be submitted by the 15th of the following month as required in Paragraph 53 of the UAO, rather than by the 10th of the following month as indicated in Appendix 1 of the UAO. In accordance with the UAO requirements this report addresses the topics listed below:

- 1. Actions which have been taken toward achieving compliance with the UAO during the previous month The following actions were taken during the previous month:
 - RI/FS site characterization activities (SOW Paragraphs 34 through 36) detailed under Task 6 of the RI/FS Work Plan including:
 - Subtask 6.9 EPA approval (with modifications) of a draft Nature and Extent Data Report (NEDR) submitted on March 3, 2009 was provided in a letter dated April 29, 2009.
 - Risk Assessment activities (SOW Paragraph 37) detailed under Task 7 of the RI/FS Work Plan data analysis, human health risk evaluation and ecological risk evaluation were partially completed.
- 2. Results of sampling, tests, modeling and all other data (including raw data) received or generated by or on behalf of Respondents during the previous month No new data were received or generated during the previous month.

- 3. Actions, data and plans which are scheduled for the next two months and other information relating to the progress of work The following actions are planned for the next two months:
 - RI/FS site characterization activities (SOW Paragraphs 34 through 36) detailed under Task 6 of the RI/FS Work Plan including:
 - Subtask 6.9 Preliminary Site Characterization Report to be continued through preparation of the Final NEDR, incorporating modifications in EPA's April 29, 2009 approval letter (due to EPA by May 30).
 - Risk Assessment activities (SOW Paragraph 37) detailed under Task 7 of the RI/FS Work Plan to be continued through data analysis, human health risk evaluation, and preparation of the updated Screening-Level Ecological Risk Assessment (SLERA).
 - Feasibility Study activities (SOW Paragraphs 43 through 51) detailed under Task 10 of the RI/FS Work Plan to be initiated through initial development and screening of alternatives. To support this evaluation, a topographic survey of the former surface impoundments cap will be also performed.
- 4. <u>Information regarding percentage of completion, all delays encountered or anticipated that may affect the future schedule for completion of the work required, and efforts made to mitigate those delays or anticipated delays RI/FS activities are approximately 80% complete.</u>

Thank you for the opportunity to submit this status report. Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

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